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Wake Forest Singers Tune Up for New Season



For 16 years, The Wake Forest Singers have been putting on free performances for the betterment of the cultural arts in town. And this year will be no exception as the singers gear up to start rehearsals in January for this year's Dreams-themed show.

Rehearsals begin the last Thursday in January, Jan. 31. They are an hour and a half long from 7:30-9 p.m. every Thursday until the program in April.

Practices are at St. John's Episcopal Church in the church sanctuary. If you want to be a part of this Wake Forest tradition, all you need to do is show up — there are no tryouts.

"It's for anyone that would enjoy singing secular music," said singer and WFCAA board member, Kenille Baumgardner. "We're a community choir and we just have a lot of fun."

Each year, the repertoire includes eight or 10 different songs. And although the theme has already been decided — Dreams — song suggestions are still welcome.

Last year's show was The Greatest Hits which included songs by ABBA and Ray Charles.

Along with free performances, joining the singers is also free. All they ask of its singers is a donation to help with the cost of music.

In addition to the spring concert, this year on April, 13, the singers will perform at Families After Five at The Factory and at Grace Haven in Youngsville.

The singers had about 30 members last year but are always looking for more.

"We want people that enjoy singing," Kenille said. "We're not picky."

Kenille hopes all singers can attend every rehearsal, but understands that things come up and some rehearsals must be missed.

"We're truly just community singers," Kenille said.

For more information on the singers, contact Kenille at kennip@earthlink.net.

WHAT'S NEW

WFCAA Secures New Office Space



The Wake Forest Cultural Arts Association has long been without a permanent home of its own.

Using conference room space graciously donated from Bettie Murchison and the W.E.B. DuBois Community Development Corp., the organization has had a place to hold its monthly meetings, but not much else.

But with the new expansion of the Wake

Forest College Birthplace Museum in downtown Wake Forest, the WFCAA is being offered office space until the space is needed to house more staff once the museum grows.

"We were talking about ways to utilize the space we built into the building that we'll use eventually, but the office space is far down the road," said Ed Morris, director of the museum.

"As the museum grows, the staff will grow, so we wanted to have enough space. So right now, there's

an extra office, but we didn't want to use it as storage."

"Cultural arts would be a perfect companion, there's things you could use, the concert series is held on the lawn, and it would give us an extra pair of eyes and ears in the building when volunteers and staff are there," he said.

"It just makes good sense to have a good nonprofit companion in with another nonprofit and hopefully it will work out well," Morris said.

Moving into the office space is a ways down the road, but it will offer the WFCAA a great advantage when it is ready by providing it a semi-permanent residence.

For updates and information on the museum's expansion and the WFCAA's moving date, look to the quarterly newsletters or contact president Gail Joyner at gailjoyner3@nc.rr.com.

Carol Warren is New WFCAA VP

With the vote to promote Gail Joyner from vice president to president came the need to fill the position of vice president.

The Wake Forest Cultural Arts Association board is pleased to announce Carol Warren

will be taking over as the right-hand-woman for Gail.

Carol is a past president and vice president, and served on the board of the WFCAA years ago.

She is a nurse educator by training and very active with the Red Cross. She

does some teaching and emergency work.

She has a real interest in visual arts of all kinds but doesn't claim to have any talent herself.

"She will be a real strong addition to the board," Gail said.

Introducing Gail Joyner

Gail is married to Wake Forest native Worth Joyner. She has called Wake Forest home since the couple moved here from Raleigh in 1990.

Gail earned a Biology degree from Methodist College in Fayetteville, a Master's in Social Work from UNC and a certificate in Public Administration from NCSU.

Now retired, she has served the State of North Carolina and the Raleigh community in settings such as Social Services, Caswell Center, Child and Adult Protective Services, Wake-Med and Rex Hospitals, and the Division of Facility Services. Prior to retirement, Gail served as director of one of the living units at Murdoch Center.

Gail's involvement with Cultural Arts started in 1991 when she served a 3-year term on the Board of Directors. It was during this time she helped to start the Wake Forest Singers Community Chorus and continued to serve as its liaison to the Board when her term expired.

Gail began serving on the Board again in 2006. She was elected vice-president this July and became president in mid-October.

Special interests include music and singing, theater, and dancing. She believes in the arts as a vital part of the quality of life in Wake Forest and is looking forward to working with Board members and the community to build on current programs and plan for the future.

2008 Calendar of Events

Date	Event	Time	Location
JANUARY 31	Wake Forest Singers' rehearsal begins	TBA	St. John's Episcopal Church
FEBRUARY 2 8	DRC's Renaissance Ball SEBTS presents "Faithful Men"	7 p.m. 7 p.m.	The Cotton Company Binkley Chapel
MARCH 13 or 20	Wake Forest Chamber of Commerce Reverse Raffle		
APRIL 13 19-27 20 27	Wake Forest Singers' Concert Herb Fest Six Sundays in Spring Six Sundays in Spring	TBA TBA 5 p.m. 5 p.m.	Franklin Academy Festival Park WF College Birthplace WF College Birthplace
MAY 2 3 4 11 18 22 25 29	SEBTS presents the Northeast Piedmont Chorale Meet in the Street Six Sundays in Spring Six Sundays in Spring Six Sundays in Spring Families After Five - featuring The Wake Forest Singers Six Sundays in Spring Families After Five	7 p.m. 10 a.m. 5 p.m. 5 p.m. 5 p.m. 5 p.m. The Factory	Binkley Chapel Downtown Wake Forest WF College Birthplace WF College Birthplace WF College Birthplace The Factory The Factory
JUNE 1 5 12	Concert in the Park Families After Five Families After Five - featuring The Embers	3 p.m. 5 p.m. The Factory	Holding Park The Factory The Factory
JULY 3	Wake Forest Fireworks Spectacular	6 p.m.	Trentini Stadium, WF-R H.S.
SEPTEMBER 13 TBA	Pottery Fest Artists' Studio Tour	10 a.m. TBA	Under The Oaks Downtown Wake Forest
OCTOBER 11	Autumn Arts Festival	10 a.m.	Downtown Wake Forest
DECEMBER 5 6-7 6	Lessons and Carols Historic Homes Tour Northeast Piedmont and male chorales	TBA TBA TBA	SEBTS Various Locations TBA

Please note: Art After Hours is held in historic downtown Wake Forest on the second Friday of each month beginning at 5 p.m.

YES!

I would like to support cultural arts in Wake Forest!

Membership Benefits

As a member of the Wake Forest Cultural Arts Association, you will receive our monthly newsletter, along with notices of classes and special events, and discounts on classes. Membership entitles you to an invitation to members-only functions which include special concerts and artists' receptions. Members investing \$100 or more annually will be recognized on all printed programs and newsletters.

Investment Options (*choose one*)

Individual/Family	\$25	Patron	\$500 +
Benefactor	\$250 - \$499	Event Sponsor	
Sponsor	\$100 - \$249		

Membership dues are annual. The membership runs from July 1 to June 30. All dues are tax-deductible. Please make checks payable to:
Wake Forest Cultural Arts Association, PO Box 528, Wake Forest, NC 27588

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